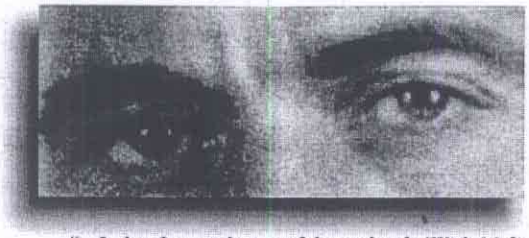

Reviews

WITH MALICE LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND THE MURDER OF OFFICER J.D. TIPPIT

"...In his fine and powerful new book, 'With Malice: Lee Harvey Oswald and the Murder of Officer J.D. Tippit,' author Dale K. Myers wisely avoids the temptation to speculate on the role Mr. Oswald played - or didn't play - in the death of the president. But in the course of a 704 page tome, he gives compelling evidence that Mr. Oswald, and he alone, killed Officer J.D. Tippit with three shots to the chest and a final coup de grace to the head. So convincing is the case he makes that anyone reading this finely crafted account may automatically conclude that Mr. Oswald killed not only Officer Tippit but also the president. Even Mr. Myers once believed that the killing of Officer Tippit was the work of conspirators. Apparently all it took to convince him otherwise was the tireless task of leaving no stone unturned. David W. Belin, assistant counsel to the Warren Commission, once called the slaying of Officer Tippit 'the Rosetta Stone' that helped unravel the mystery of the president's murder. But 35 years after the crime, Mr. Myers does far more than the commission ever did in helping us understand the murder of the police officer and why, in fact, the Rosetta Stone comparison makes sense..."

Michael Granberry, The Dallas Morning News

"Dale Myers's 'With Malice'...is an exhaustive micro-study of the other shooting that day, forgotten by most Americans but rightly considered a Rosetta stone...Myers has combined statements made to Dallas lawmen, testimony before the Warren Commission, his own interviews of surviving witnesses, research into Dallas municipal archives and even television outtakes to write an almost minute-by-minute account, and surely a definitive one, of Tippit's encounter with Oswald..."

Max Holland, The Nation

"...Myers weaves a tense recitation more suspenseful than most thrillers. Courage and cowardice, fine police work and flatfoot mistakes, Myers serves it up with an urgency as fresh as today's newspaper. 'With Malice' is a massive, erudite work of scholarship that removes all doubt that Oswald murdered officer J.D. Tippit to avoid being questioned about the Kennedy killing. It also makes a nearly irrefutable case that Oswald acted alone at Dealey Plaza as well. Dale K. Myers' book is that rarest of literary accomplishments, an impeccably accurate historical account so superbly written that it's tough to put down."

Doug Allyn, The Flint Journal

"...This massive and well-researched book provides every detail of Tippit's murder: the background, locale, witnesses, police officers, and investigators - complete with photos, maps, radio reports, crime scene diagrams, autopsy reports, and copies of numerous police department documents. Conspiracy buffs have discounted Oswald as Tippit's killer, even claiming Tippit was an accomplice of Oswald's. However, with sound reasoning and careful analysis of evidence, Myers convincingly concludes that Oswald did murder Tippit and that there was no conspiracy between the two men. Myers' narrative is crisp and suspenseful, reading like a 'True Crime' drama with extra voltage. The gunshots, sirens, crackling police radios, and cops frantically searching for a 'cop-killer' are all too real and bring back vivid memories of that tragic day in American history. Myers also cleverly looks past the conspiracy theorist's smoke and mirrors, chasing down and debunking all the red herrings connected with Officer Tippit's murder..."

William D. Bushnell, Independent Publisher

"...'With Malice' is unquestionably the definitive book on the murder of Officer J.D. Tippit. Because of the umbilical cord between this murder and that of President Kennedy, Myers has made a very significant and scholarly contribution to the literature on the assassination of JFK. Absolutely 'must reading' for any student of this national tragedy. A superb true crime book which I recommend highly."

Vincent T. Bugliosi, renowned prosecutor and author of "Helter Skelter"